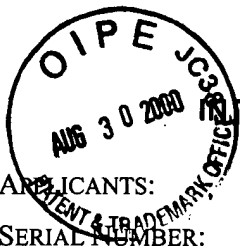


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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a one month extension of time to respond to the June 12, 2000 Notice to File Missing Parts in the above-identified application. A check in the amount of \$55, in payment of the fee required for a Small Entity under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(1), is enclosed herewith.

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 18242-507. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

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